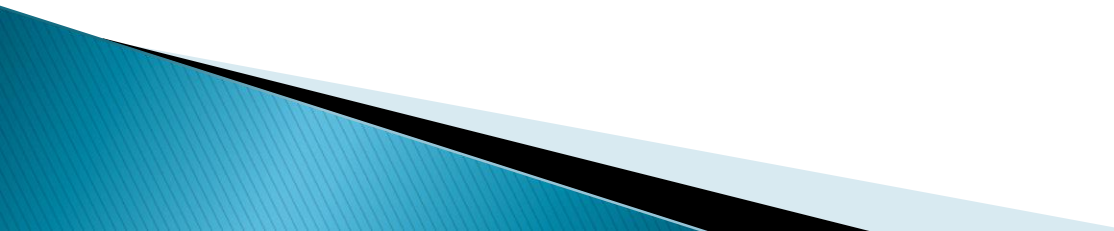


# Juvenile Court Services

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# Juvenile Court Services goals

- ▶ Community Safety
  - ▶ Accountability
  - ▶ Rehabilitation/Treatment
  - ▶ Reduce Recidivism
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# Funding Streams

- ▶ Juvenile Court Services is part of the Judicial Branch of Government
  - 96% of the Judicial Branch is personnel

**Funding for Treatment Program Services come from the Health and Human Services budget**

- Court Ordered Services
- Graduated Sanctions
- Decategorization (DCAT)

# Funding Silos

## **Court Ordered Services**

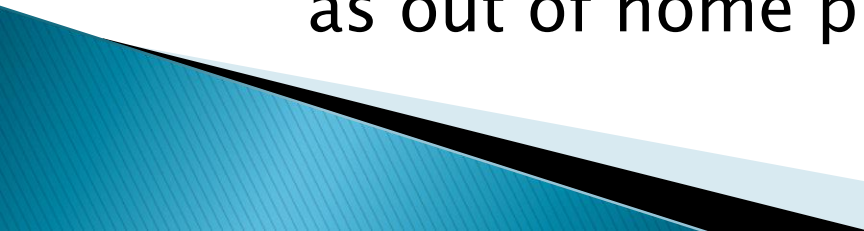
Psychological and Sex Offender Evaluations

Transportation

## **Graduated Sanctions**

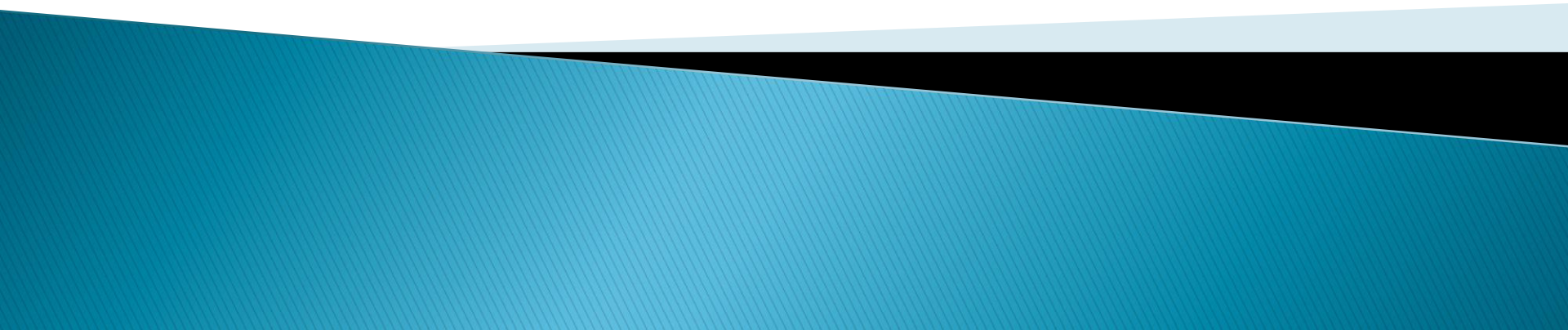
Juvenile Court School Liaisons, Functional Family Therapy, Day Treatment, WRAP

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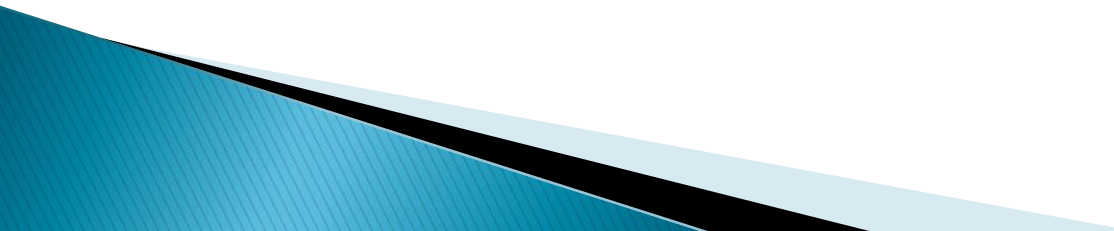


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# Juvenile Diversion Programs

- ▶ Diverting youth into community based programs. This practice lowers recidivism and improved outcomes for youth in addition to avoiding costly involvement in the formal court system
  - ▶ In 2017, over 10,000 juveniles were diverted from the court system utilizing evidence based practices. A cost avoidance to the state of \$5.8 million
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# Results\*

- ▶ In 2015 over 90% of all complaints were resolved prior to Court action
- ▶ 67% of 1<sup>st</sup> time offenders do not reoffend during the next 2 years
- ▶ \$369,400 in restitution to victims in 2015

▶ Data from JDW CJP

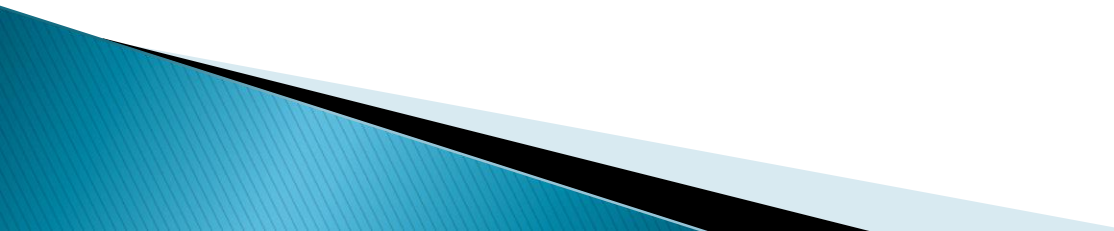


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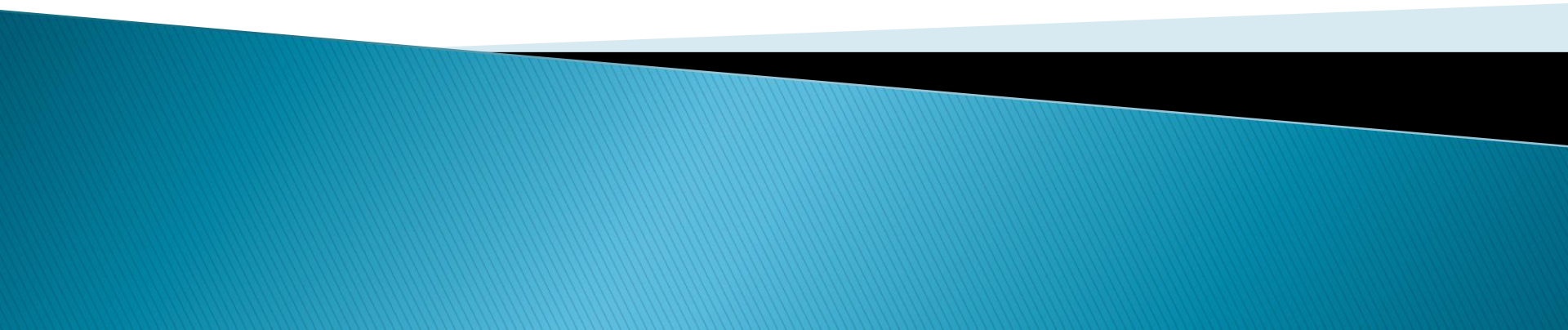
- ▶ Group Home placements have shorter length of stays which increases the need for community based programs
  - ▶ State Training School –lack of Mental Health and Substance Abuse services
    - – No girls STS level of care
  - ▶ Lack of foster home/independent living programs
  - ▶ Human Trafficking cases
  - ▶ New Drug Trends
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# Evidence based practices

- ▶ Screening tools: Iowa Delinquency Assessment (IDA) and Detention Screening Tool (DST)
    - – Focus resources on high risk youth
  - ▶ Effective Practice in Community Supervision (EPICS)
  - ▶ Increased contracting for evidence based services
  - ▶ Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol for some contracts
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**We need your continued support and funding to maintain our current practices and when the time is right, expand.**



# Thank you

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